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## PETITION TO RESCIND NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.181

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Sir:

This Petition is being filed responsive to the Notice of Abandonment dated January 20, 2004. The pertinent facts are as follows:

- 1) On January 16, 2004, Kathleen Carney, assistant to Lawrence E. Ashery, was informed by Examiner Christopher O. Onuaku that the Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee mailed on July 1, 2003 was returned to the USPTO as being undeliverable to the address shown.
- 2) Kathleen Carney confirmed that the address was correct and requested that it be resent and a copy be facsimiled. Examiner Onuaku stated that he would confer with his supervisor on the matter.
- 3) On January 20, 2004, Lawrence E. Ashery was advised in a telephone conversation with Supervisor Andrew Christensen that a Notice of Abandonment would be issued in the application due to the Applicants non-payment of the issue fee. Mr. Ashery received the notice via facsimile on January 20, 2004.
- 4) Mr. Ashery's firm, RatnerPrestia, maintains an extensive docketing system in which all incoming mail from the PTO is processed and entered into a data base. Neither Mr. Ashery nor any of his employees have any recollection of having received a Notice of Allowance in the above-identified application. In addition, a

copy of the global report for October 1, 2003 is enclosed. If a Notice of Allowance had been received, the Docketing Department of RatnerPrestia would have entered this information into the docketing software. The Notice of Allowance had an issue fee due date of October 1, 2003. Our review of the enclosed global report for October 1, 2003 does not show any entry for the above-identified application.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Notice of Abandonment be rescinded for the above-identified application. Furthermore, it is respectfully requested that a new Notice of Allowance be mailed to the undersigned so that prompt payment of the issue fee can be made.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lawrence E. Ashery, Reg. No. 34,515

Attorney for Applicant

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Enclosure: Copy of Global Report of RatnerPrestia for October 1, 2003

Dated: January 23, 2004

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